(b) if so, what was the production during the last three years, yearwise of each producer;

(c) what was the price fixed per Kg. of this product under DPCO, 1979 and at what price John Wyeth and Geoffrey Manners were selling it alongwith its present price;

(d) what are the names of the formulations based on this drug being marketed by these two companies alongwith the composition of each;

(e) what was the price fixed for each, the price being charged alongwith the present price;

(f) whether it is a fact that it was obligatory to provide turnover of formulation under DPCO, 1979;

(g) if so, what was the turn-over of each during the last three years, yearwise; and

(h) what is the rate at which recovery was made in respect of each bulk drug and formulation?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The price fixed for Benzathme Penicillin G under the provisions of DPCO, 1979 is Rs. 1271 per Kg. and the price charged by M|s. Geoffrey Manners was Rs. 1375|- per Kg.

(d) to (h) Information to the extent available is given in the Statement. (*See* Below).

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of formulation	Price fixed under DCPO, 1979	Price charged by the company	Qnty. sold between 11th April '81 to Oct. 1983
		Rs. ps.	Rs. ps.	
1	Penidure LA 6 BPa/Vial 5'S	8.67	10.65	2865314
2.	Penidure LA 12 BPa/Vial 5'S	15.00	18.65	2689343
3	Penidure AA 24 BPa/Vial 1 vial	5.42	6.57	1193533
4	Penidure AP. 5'S	13.19	16.05	154047

The recorable amount has been worked out w.r.t. net realisation of the companies and the notified price minus percentage commission/discount paid by the companies.

Applications for revision or fixation of prices

3299. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of applications for revision of fixation of prices received by Government after the announcement of DPCO, 1987;

(b) what is the number of applications which have been considered and recommended by the BICP;

(c) what is the number of applications which have been rejected or kept unprocessed by the BICP and what are their details; and

(d) what are the details of applications recommended by BICP but lying pending with his Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) to (d) Price fixation of formulations is a continuous process, Prices of several thousand formulations are controlled under DPCO, 1987, with several hundred drug companies marketing them in different pack sizes. The details required in the question are therefore quite voluminous and are not readily available. The

time and efforts required for collection of the same will not be commensurate with the results likely to be achieved.

Opening of electronic exchanges in National Capital region

3300. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to open new electronic telephone exchanges in big cities and towns of the National Capital Region to develop telecommunication facilities and to meet the growing needs of the region; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) YES, Sir.

(b) Details are given in the statement.

Statement

S.No.	Name of Town	Type of Electronic exchange	No. of Electronic exchange lines proposed during the 7th Five Year Plan
1	Faridabad	E-10B (M)	12100
2	Bahadurgarh	RUL(E-10B)	2000
3	Gurgaon	E-10B (M)	6000*
4	Dharuhera	NEAX	400
5	Palwal	NEAX	900
6	Alwar	PRX	4000@
7	Bhiwadi	NEAX	400
8	Ghaziabad	E-10B	4000
		RLU(E-10B)	2000
9	Noida	E-10B(Æ)	4000
10	Khurja	NEQX	1000

* A 3000 lines PRX electronic exchange was commissioned replacing 1800 lines old strowger exchange at Gurgaon during 1985-86. It was further expanded to 4000 lines during 86-87. This exchange is proposed to be replaced by a new digital 6000 lines E-10B exchange by the end of the 7th Plan.

@ A 3000 lines PRX electronic exchange was commissioned replacing 2000 lines old strowger exchange at Alwar during 1985-86. This exchange is proposed to be expanded further by another 1000 lines by the end of 7th Plan.

Telephone exchange in Minto Road area of New Delhi

3301. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have acquired land for setting up a new telephone exchange in Minto Road area of New Delhi; and

(b) if so, what are the details of progress so far made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes, Sir.